

**Conservation Commission Minutes
Tuesday, September 13, 2011
Town Hall Meeting Room, Old Town Rd.
5:30pm**

Present: Members: Chair Ned Phillips Jr., Donald Littlefield, Leslie Slate, Fred Leeder, Marea Mott, and David Roosa. **Absent:** John Hopf. Also present was Terri Chmiel for the recording of the minutes.

Call to Order

Chair Mr. Phillips, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

Approval of Minutes of August 9, 2011

A motion was made by Mr. Littlefield and seconded by Mr. Phillips to approve the minutes of August 9, 2011 with a minor correction. The motion carried with all in favor.

5 Ayes (Phillips, Roosa, Littlefield, Slate, Mott) 0 Nays
2 Absent (Hopf and Leeder)

Mr. Leeder joined the meeting at 5:32pm.

Discussion of eradicating Mile-a-Minute Weed

This item was tabled to the October meeting.

Discussion regarding snow fencing and request for donations from island organizations.

The Commission asked Terri Chmiel to send letters of request for donations to continue the ongoing project of the snow fencing to the following organizations: Bill Penn BIRA, Scenic Block Island, and the Ocean View Foundation.

Act on donation from Thomas Allan.

Mr. Phillips, Jr. acknowledged a letter and \$1,000.00 donation received from Thomas and Elizabeth Allan for preserving the dunes. The Allans have made a request for "No Trespassing on the Dunes" signs. The Commission will discuss with Mike Shea signage and bring suggestions to the October meeting. A thank you letter will be sent to the Allans.

Schedule a work date for assessment of repairing; replacing and adding new snow fencing.

A work date was set for Saturday, September 24, 2011 at 9:00am for repairing; replacing and adding new snow fencing.

Adjourn

The agenda was amended in a motion by Mr. Phillips, Jr. and seconded by Mr. Roosa and voted unanimously regarding John Hopf's e-mail (see attached) dated September 12 and 13, 2011 on the beach access update and snow fencing. Mr. Littlefield requested the letter from the Montgomery's to be placed on the October agenda.

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50p.m. in a motion by Mr. Littlefield and seconded by Ms. Mott and voted unanimously.

6 Ayes (Phillips, Mott, Roosa, Littlefield, Leeder, and Slate)

0 Nays

1 Absent (Hopf)

Respectfully submitted

Terri L. Chmiel

Minutes approved: